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Public Service Commission of South Carolina

Attn: Docketing Dept. P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

Re: Docket No. 2009-489-E

Dear Office of Regulatory Staff:

I am writing to protest the recent request by the SCE&G for a 10% rate increase. The utilities (including water) continue to provide suggestions on conserving utility usage, and then immediately ask for rate increases because they are not making enough money, or, blame the federal government for demanding environmental improvements. There is no one to fight for the consumer, only the lobbyists fighting for the corporations and government fat cats.

Please stand up for the consumer!!

Sincerely.

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